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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: **Takashi NAGASE et. al.**

Title: **METHOD OF MANUFACTURING NANO-GAP ELECTRODE**

Patent No. **7,056,886**

Issued: **06/06/2006**

Appl. No.: **10/662,886**

Filing Date: **9/16/2003**

Examiner: **Ahmed, Shamim**

Art Unit: **1765**

**NEW PETITION TO CORRECT ASSIGNEE**  
**ON AN ISSUED PATENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.183**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned filed a Petition to Correct Assignee on PTOL-85 Under 37 CFR 1.183, on April 21, 2006, in an attempt to correct the assignee prior to issuance of the above-identified patent. A check of PAIR indicates that the petition has not yet been processed, however, the \$400.00 fee paid by credit card authorization form cleared the credit card on April 26, 2006.

Applicants respectfully request that under 37 C.F.R. §1.183, the name of the assignee be corrected in the above-identified patent.

Applicants hereby state that the incorrect assignee's name shown on Form PTOL-85, box 3A, was inadvertent. The change of name from Communications Research Laboratory, Independent Administrative Institution to National Institute of Information and Communications Technology, Incorporated Administrative Agency was recorded December 5, 2005, at Reel 017090, Frame 0580 (prior to payment of the Issue Fee). Enclosed herewith

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The error to be corrected is the Assignee, which should be:

“National Institute of Information and Communications Technology, Incorporated  
Administrative Agency; Tokyo, Japan.”

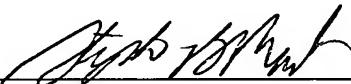
A credit card authorization form to cover the petition fee of \$400.00 was previously submitted. The fee required for the Certificate of Correction is being charged to Deposit Account 19-0741 as indicated on the enclosed Request. Please forward the file to the Certificate of Corrections Branch for issuance of a Certificate of Correction, if the Petition is granted.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

Date June 22, 2006

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**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.323**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed, in duplicate, is a Certificate of Correction, Form PTO-SB/44, for United States Patent Number 7,056,886 issued June 6, 2006.

The error to be corrected is the name of the assignee:

“Communications Research Laboratory, Independent Administrative Institution”  
should be

-- National Institute of Information and Communications Technology, Incorporated--

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Applicant submits that the noted error does not constitute new matter, and correction thereof would not require reexamination.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.323, Applicant requests that the enclosed Certificate of Correction be approved.

Since the noted error is not the fault of the Patent Office, authorization is hereby given to charge the \$100.00 fee, in addition to any other fees which may be required for this Request, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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PATENT NO. : 7,056,886  
APPLICATION NO. : 10/662,886  
DATED : 6/6/2006  
INVENTOR(S) : Takashi NAGASE; Tohru KUBOTA; Shinro MASHIKO;

It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the cover page, item (73), the Assignee name should be:

--National Institute of Information and Communications Technology, Incorporated--.

MAILING ADDRESS OF SENDER (Please do not use customer number below):

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